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## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claims 1, 7-11, and 14 are currently amended. This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the above-identified application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A method for use in a computing environment for extending a wizard comprising:

generating, by one or more processors, a host-wizard component;

generating, by the one or more processors, one or more sub-wizard components;

invoking, by the one or more processors, said one or more sub-wizard components during said host-wizard component execution; and

transferring, by the one or more processors, control from said host-wizard to said one or more sub-wizard components.

2. (Previously Presented) A method as recited in claim 1 wherein said one or more sub-wizard components are browser based object components.

3. (Previously Presented) A method as recited in claim 1 wherein said one or more sub-wizard components are operating system based application component object extensions.

Claim 4-6. (Canceled).

7. (Currently Amended) A method for use in a computing environment for extending a wizard comprising:

generating, by one or more processors, a host wizard that defines an extension

interface to respond to navigation events;

generating, by the one or more processors, a web component comprising:

> a web page, said web page containing a header area, a wizard

control area and a control interface area;

> one or more object module functions, said object module functions

enabling navigation; and

> said control interface area having navigation control to recursively

navigate within said web component and to said host wizard, by utilizing

said one or more object module functions;

generating, by the one or more processors, a user interface that integrates said

web component into said host wizard by utilizing the extension interface to

perform recursive navigation between said web component and said host wizard;

and

utilizing an information container to exchange informational items between said

web component and said host wizard.

8.   (Currently Amended)   A machine readable medium having machine

executable instructions for performing a method for extending a wizard comprising:

generating, by one or more processors, a host-wizard component;

generating, by the one or more processors, one or more sub-wizard components;

invoking, by the one or more processors, said one or more sub-wizard

components during said host-wizard component execution; and

transferring, by the one or more processors, control from said host-wizard to said one or more sub-wizard components.

9.     (Currently Amended)   A computer system having a processor, a memory and an operating environment, the computer system operable to execute a method for use in a computing environment for extending a wizard comprising:

generating, by one or more processors, a host-wizard component;

generating, by the one or more processors, one or more sub-wizard components;

invoking, by the one or more processors, said one or more sub-wizard components during said host-wizard component execution; and

transferring, by the one or more processors, control from said host-wizard to said one or more sub-wizard components.

10.   (Currently Amended)   A machine readable medium having machine executable instructions for performing a method for extending a wizard comprising:

generating, by one or more processors, a host wizard that defines an extension interface to respond to navigation events;

generating, by the one or more processors, a web component comprising:

a web page, said web page containing a header area, a wizard control area and a control interface area;

one or more object module functions, said object module functions enabling navigation; and

said control interface area having navigation control to recursively navigate within said web component and to said host wizard, by utilizing said one or more object module functions;

generating, by the one or more processors, a user interface that integrates said web component into said host wizard by utilizing the extension interface to perform recursive navigation between said web component and said host wizard; and

utilizing an information container to exchange informational items between said web component and said host wizard.

11. (Currently Amended) A computer system having a processor, a memory and an operating environment, the computer system comprising:

one or more processors providing the following:

a host wizard that defines an extension interface to respond to navigation events;

a web component comprising:

a web page, said web page containing a header area, a wizard control area and a control interface area;

one or more object module functions, said object module functions enabling navigation; and

said control interface area having navigation control to recursively navigate within said web component and to said host wizard, by utilizing said one or more object module functions;

a user interface that integrates said web component into said host wizard

by utilizing the extension interface to perform recursive navigation

between said web component and said host wizard; and

an information container to exchange informational items between said

web component and said host wizard.

Claims 12-13.  (Canceled).


14.    (Currently Amended)   A computer system having a processor, a

memory and an operating environment, the computer system comprising:

one or more  processors providing the following:

a first wizard having panels to guide a user through a first task;

a second wizard having panels to guide a user trough a second task; and

at least one navigation component on each of said first and second

wizards, said navigation components allowing sequential progression or

regression through said first and second wizards to chain said second

wizard to said first wizard to guide a user through the first and second

tasks.

Claim  15.  (Canceled).


16 (Previously Presented)  A method as recited in claim 1, wherein

transferring control from said host-wizard to one or more sub-wizard components, further

comprises:

passing a property bag between said host-wizard component and said one

or more sub-wizard components.

Claim 17  (Canceled).


18  (Previously Presented)  A machine readable medium as recited in claim 8, wherein transferring control from said host-wizard to one or more sub-wizard components, further comprises:

passing a property bag between said host-wizard component and said one or more sub-wizard components.


19  (Previously Presented)  A computer system as recited in claim 9, wherein transferring control from said host-wizard to one or more sub-wizard components, further comprises:

passing a property bag between said host-wizard component and said one or more sub-wizard components.


Claim 20  (Canceled).

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